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Applicant:

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Device for the Metered Administration of a Fluid Drug

Supplemental Response to Restriction Requirement

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 27, 2001, Applicant hereby elects, with traverse, Figures 1-2. At least independent claims 1 and 17 and dependent claims 2, 6-9, 15-16, 18,

are directed thereto.

I hereby certify that the document is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on

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Applicant reiterates from the Response to Election Requirement, filed November 28, 2000, that the Examiner's requirement for election is strongly traversed in view of independent claims 1 and 17. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1 and 17 are generic claims that cover all the species asserted by the Examiner.

It is believed that all of the species asserted by the Examiner can, in fact, be covered conveniently by a single reasonable search field. For this reason, and the reasons given in the November 28, 2000 response, Applicant traverses the election requirement imposed by the Examiner.

It is believed that no additional fees are due in connection with this communication. However, the Office is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 04-1420.

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